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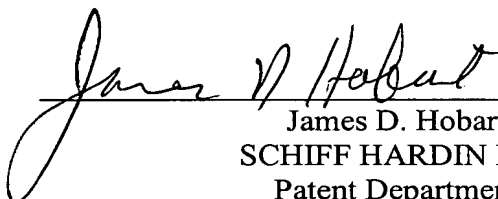
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that a citation and examination of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made during the course of the examination of the above-identified application.

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On page 2 of the specification, reference was made to U.S. Patent No. 6,412,979 and its German counterpart DE 198 45 756. Reference was also made to allowed U.S. Application Serial No. 09/664,338, which claims priority from German 199 45 413. Attached herewith are copies of DE 198 45 756 and DE 199 45 413 along with U.S. Patent No. 6,412,979. Since the filing of the application, allowed U.S. Application Serial No. 09/664,338 has issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,709,156, and a copy of that U.S. Patent is also attached herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the specification distinguishes the claims over the teachings of the two U.S. References and German counterparts.

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AA	6,412,979	07/02/2002	Hell et al			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AL	198 45 756	04/27/2000	Germany			See AA	
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